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MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: Progress Reports. QKDEMON-JBEDICT

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY  
SOURCE METHOD EXEMPTION 3828  
NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT  
DATE 2007

1. Chief of QKDEMON-JBEDICT has made an arrangement in the field which will permit the use of a secure military printing plant for the production of clandestine propaganda. The necessary procedure for Home Office approval has been accomplished so far as my office is concerned and should be in the hands of Mr. Wisner today.

2. Through OPC personnel and CIA Covert Personnel, procedures have been established for the ready transfer of selected Army-officer personnel to OPC units in the German-Austrian field.

3. Colonel George Smith and Lt. Colonel John Deane have been contacted concerning proposed loan of selected CIC personnel to OPC for special tasks, such as those concerned with holding and training DP's. Arrangements have been made to bring JCS pressure to bear on this matter. The initial reception is favorable.

4. The operation designed to recruit [ ] as head of the entire German Mission is proceeding satisfactorily. The matter has been called to Mr. Wisner's attention, and if Mr. McCloy will endorse [ ] I believe we will have a good chance to get him.

5. Three outstanding recruits for the German Mission have been put in process and the papers of another are under consideration by me.

6. A proposed T/O for the German-Austrian Mission has been prepared and is now in the hands of CPP for coordination.

7. Three indigenous agents have been granted operational clearance for use in the field. Two of these are endorsed by OSC. The third is highly regarded by Dr. Peter Zenkl.

8. Two stenographers and a security officer entered on duty in Germany. One stenographer demonstrated her resourcefulness to my satisfaction by reaching her destination despite the fact that an inexcusable Home Office delay prevented the dispatch of

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cable advising the field that she was en route.

9. Overseas processing has been completed on a printing plant superintendent for QKDEMON. He is due to depart 3 June.

10. Two additional stenographers have been placed in process for overseas transfer, ETD 15 July.

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11. This project involves the direction and subsidy of a German group which is producing propaganda material primarily from interrogation of persons fleeing the Soviet zone of Germany. It is progressing satisfactorily. The group is headed by a man who was one of the principal delegates to the Paris counter-rally.

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12. This Project involves the production and dissemination of pony copies of Telegraf and Neue Zeitung in the Soviet Zone of Germany. It is proceeding smoothly.

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13. I have also assisted [ ] and [ ] getting under way the projects formerly entitled YOUTH and SORGHUM. The principal agent involved in YOUTH (Italian magazine) was put under contract and left for Italy this week. A Chinese translation of the principal papers in the Tito-Kremlin dispute (Project SORGHUM) was completed and placed in the hands of Colonel Lears for reproduction by offset.

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JBPIANO (2A-16)

1. This project, implemented by the OSO in Madrid, aims at providing Spanish radio broadcasters with anti-Communist material, but recent reports have indicated the Madrid Radio has adopted a hyper-Fascist tone accompanied by implications of American support. These adverse policy and security developments were referred about a month ago to CPP with a request for a policy recommendation on the advisability of continuing the project.

SGGRAVURE (2B-2.2)

2. This recently-approved project aims at subsidizing and directing the propaganda activities of a Yugoslav resistance group whose intelligence activities have been supported by OSO since 1946. Since November, 1948, when OPC agreed to underwrite 20% of the cost of operating this OSO project, we have been attempting, without success, to obtain sufficient information on the Gravure group to permit us to conduct our share of the operation intelligently. To date we have had no satisfaction, although the present formalization of our responsibilities, as evidenced by an approved project, makes our information needs more urgent than ever.

JBALLOY (7B-6)

3. The objective of JBALLOY is to secure safe haven for a Czech national now in Bratislava. A message was successfully delivered by OSO to subject's contact, then in Paris, instructing subject on how to proceed. Although we drafted a dispatch a week ago for FBM to transmit to its Karlsruhe station giving instructions for the handling of subject upon her arrival in Regensburg, we have as yet not received a confirmation copy for transmission to our Heidelberg station. Receipt of this copy is required before we can instruct Heidelberg intelligently on the procedure involved in escorting subject to safe haven in Weinheim. Fortunately, subject is not requested to leave Czechoslovakia before July.

TPCEDAR (2B-7)

4. Proposed project for "sleeper" radio net in Austria.

A memorandum embodying this proposal has been forwarded to CPP. Pending policy approval, a series of exploratory conferences are being held with the prospective agent.

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